

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
May 28, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Holtville City Council was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. in the Civic Center. Council Members present were Mike Goodsell, Richard Layton, David Bradshaw, Jim Predmore and Ginger Ward. Staff members present were Alex Meyerhoff, Nick Wells, Alex Silva and Glyn Snyder. City Treasurer Pete Mellinger, City Planner Justina Arce and City Attorney Steve Walker were also present.

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mr. Goodsell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mr. Goodsell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by Mr. Goodsell.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by David Bradshaw.

CITY CLERK RE: VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA:

The City Clerk verified that the agenda was duly posted on May 24, 2013.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:

(Government Code Section 54956.9(a))

Willowbend LLC vs. City Of Holtville

Efrain Martinez vs. City of Holtville

City of Holtville vs. Rombaut

City of Holtville vs. Black Dog Farms

No reportable action taken.

Imperial Palms Resort vs. City of Holtville

A settlement was reached.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:

(Government Code Section 54956.9(c))

Claim of Dick Otto

No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

City Manager Evaluation

No reportable action taken.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:

(Government Code Section 54956.9)

Property: 1499 State Hwy 98, Management & Training Corporation, Alliance Subsidiary
Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney
Under Negotiation: Terms of Operations, Management and Maintenance Agreement
No reportable action taken.

Property: APN 045-631-010-000 (SEC Fern Avenue and Fourth Street)
Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney
Under Negotiation: Terms and Lease of Operation
No reportable action taken.

Property: APN 045-330-034-000 (640 E. 3rd Street, Space 5)
Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jessica Lizarraga said she would like to have a recreation center in Holtville.

Clifford King said he would like for Council to consider adopting an Ordinance governing industrial lighting in a residential neighborhood. He said his neighbor has installed lighting that interferes with his privacy. Mr. Meyerhoff said he would look into the Nuisance Ordinance to see if this issue is addressed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of May 13, 2013

2. Current Demands #31860 To #31948

A motion was made by Mr. Layton and seconded by Ms. Ward to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2. The motion carried 5/0.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNIQUE:

Mrs. Snyder provided an update on the Ice Cream Social and Farmer's Market and Street Fair. This event will be held on Thursday, June 13th in Holt Park. Forty vendors have already signed up.

Ms. Ward attended the Cattle Call Park Ribbon Cutting in Brawley. She said the Girl Scouts have installed their sign at the Community Garden. Ms. Ward also helped with the Farmer's Market.

Mr. Layton and Mr. Predmore attended the Bid Evaluation Conference for the Alamo River/115 Bridge Project.

Mr. Bradshaw attended the Farmer's Market. He said IV Press wrote a nice article about the upcoming Ice Cream Social.

Mr. Goodsell attended the Farmer's Market and an ICTC meeting. He said the State of the City Address is tentatively scheduled for June 24th prior to the regular City Council meeting.

Ms. Arce reported IID is currently accepting applications for grants to promote economic development within the Imperial Valley. Informational workshops are scheduled to assist applicants in completing the RFP package in May, June and July.

Item # 7 was moved up on the agenda.

7. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 13-11 Authorizing And Approving The Execution Of A Housing Agreement By And Between City Of Holtville And Imperial Valley Gateway Center LLC Related To The Imperial Regional Detention Center – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

Michael Harling, representing Municipal Capital Markets Group provided an update on the issuance of bonds. Bond sales will close on June 7th and the groundbreaking for the facility will be in mid June. Eric Cohen from HMC Architects said a job fair will be held in Holtville and the City will be the point of sale for construction materials.

A motion was made by Mr. Predmore and seconded by Mr. Layton to adopt Resolution 13-11 authorizing the City's Authorized Officers to (1) negotiate and approve the execution and delivery of a Housing Agreement by and between the City of Holtville and Imperial Valley Gateway Center, LLC for the supply of detainees to the Imperial Regional Detention Facility; (2) file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk and the State Office of Planning and Research that the approval is not a project under CEQA. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Ms. Ward was excused from the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

3. PUBLIC HEARING - Discussion/Related Action Regarding Proposed Sewer Rate Increase – Nick Wells, Finance Manager

Mr. Wells provided a background regarding the proposed sewer rate increase. Mr. Goodsell opened the public hearing at 6:37 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Predmore to approve the proposed sewer rate increase. It was then determined a resolution is needed to increase the sewer rates. Mr. Bradshaw withdrew his motion. A resolution will be prepared and brought to the June 10th meeting for adoption. The public hearing will be left open until June 10th.

Ms. Ward returned to the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. Discussion/Related Action To Authorize Closeout Of Funds With Negative Cash Balances – Nick Wells, Finance Manager

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Layton to authorize closeout of funds with negative cash balances. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Discussion/Related Action To Purchase Tax Defaulted Real Property Located At The

Southeast Corner Of Fern And Fourth Avenues – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

This item was tabled.

6. Discussion/Related Action Regarding Proposals Received For A Mobile Home Impact Study – Justina Arce, City Planner

This item was tabled.

Mr. Bradshaw was excused from the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY:

8. Information Only Regarding Annual Report From CR&R – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

Information only; no action taken.

9. City Manager Report – Alex Meyerhoff

- a. Finance Manager – Nick Wells**
- b. Public Works Supervisor – Alex Chavez**
- c. Water Works Supervisor – Frank Cornejo**
- d. Fire Chief – Alex Silva**

Staff Reports

Written reports were provided by the following: City Manager, Public Works Supervisor, Water Works Supervisor and Fire Chief.

Mr. Meyerhoff has been working with the Mayor on the State of the City Address.

Mr. Silva said he will be attending Elderly Abuse Training on June 4th and his staff will be attending the Burn Emergency Training the same day. There will be Sidewalk CPR Training provided on June 5th.

10. Discussion Regarding Budget Review 2013-2014 Fiscal Year – Nick Wells, Finance Manager

No reportable action taken regarding this item. Discussion was held regarding the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget.

The Budget will be brought back for adoption on June 10th.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Goodsell adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Mike Goodsell, Mayor

Glyn Snyder, City Clerk